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**American Society for
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Region III Triennial Meeting**

September 25th – 27th, 2019

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ASCLS REGION III

Alabama, Florida, Georgia,
Mississippi, North Carolina,
South Carolina, Tennessee,
Puerto Rico

The American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science (ASCLS): Beliefs, Core Values

Through the past seven decades, ASCLS has contributed much to the profession: in advocacy, standards setting, education (professional and continuing), personal and professional development, and much more. ASCLS continues today as the pre-eminent laboratory organization representing laboratory personnel and advancing their interests — individually and collectively. ASCLS members are the heart of ASCLS and there is the continuous flow of goals, ideas, strategic actions and communication between our grassroots members, our state, our region and national ASCLS. Sharing of time and talents at all levels of our society moves our profession and our professional organization forward.

ASCLS Believes:

1. Quality laboratory service is essential to quality health care.
2. Competent, credentialed, laboratory professionals are the foundation to quality laboratory medicine.
3. Everyone deserves access to safe, effective, efficient, equitable, and patient-centered healthcare, and
4. Advancing the laboratory profession advances health care.

Core Values:

1. Ensuring safe, accurate, efficient, appropriate and cost-effective laboratory services is a component of quality
2. Defining the characteristics of competent personnel within the profession and providing professional development opportunities so that practitioners can maintain competency are essential roles of a professional association
3. Enabling laboratory professionals to function at their highest level of competence will contribute to cost effective health care
4. Promoting diversity supports the delivery of quality laboratory service
5. Taking a leadership role in standard and policy setting is a core professional responsibility
6. Advocating for quality within the laboratory is essential to the assurance of quality health care delivery

ASCLS Regions and ASCLS Region III

ASCLS is made up of three levels of governance, national, regional, and state. At each of these levels, there are governing bodies that function to coordinate, within their boundaries, activities that support the principles of ASCLS and further the goals of ASCLS. ASCLS national is divided into 10 regions and each region is made up of associated states. The 10 regions each have a regional council that serves as the governing body of the region. This regional governing body consists of a nationally elected Regional Director, Officers of Constituent states and, as ex officio members, all such persons in the region who serve ASCLS in an elective or appointive capacity. The purpose of the regional council is to provide for the constituent states support and greater access to, and utilization of, the resources of ASCLS. ASCLS region III includes the following states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Puerto Rico. The current leadership of Region III is found below.

Region III Director	Dr. Janelle M. Chiasera
Treasurer	Ms. Krystal Bullard
Membership	Ms. Jie “Jenny” Gao
Ascending Professional	Ms. Christal Lane
Developing Professional	Ms. Kate LaFiandra-McCall
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Leadership Development Rep	Mr. Eric Stanford
ASCLS-Alabama	Dr. Floyd Josephat, President
ASCLS-Florida	Ms. Jenny Paige Ford, President
ASCLS-Georgia	Dr. Brandy Gunsolus, President
ASCLS-MS	Ms. Jana Bagwell, President
ASCLS-NC	Mr. William Anong, President
ASCLS-SC	Vacant
ASCLS-TN	Mr. Eric Stanford, President

Welcome

When gazing into the crystal ball at healthcare delivery, one thing is clear: the affordable care act, other health system reforms, trends in healthcare delivery, changing demographics, and the role of healthcare design in this new landscape is shaping a completely different future. As a result, we live in a most exciting time so far as health care and health care delivery is concerned. Patients are becoming increasingly active consumers of healthcare rather than passive recipients and experts predict innovations such as e-prescribing, e-visits, at-home testing, increased transparency of data, pharmacy clinics, and health apps will become more and more popular. The future appears to be focusing heavily on triple aim care where better health, better care, and lower costs are intricately linked. As many of you know, nearly 20 percent of GDP is spent on healthcare, approximately 30 percent of healthcare spending is wasted on unnecessary procedures, missed opportunities for prevention, and other inefficiencies. We can make significant contributions to reducing these costly practices.

Laboratory medicine will be fundamentally different in the future. The introduction of the Doctor of Clinical Laboratory Science Advanced practitioners, clinical diagnostic scientists, interprofessional teams, managers and quality metrics within the laboratory environment will revolutionize how we, as practitioners of laboratory medicine, will deliver our service to the healthcare sector. We can decide to respond to this challenge in one of two ways - we can get BITTER or we can get BETTER, the choice is ours. Come join us for an exciting 3 days of educational sessions, visit with our vendors, professional networking, and some friendly competition with our region-wide student bowl competition.

Planning Committee

The Region III triennial meeting planning committee did an exceptional job of preparing a triennial meeting program including a comprehensive mix of cutting edge clinical laboratory educational sessions, clinical educator specific sessions, student-focused sessions, a social event, and a region-wide student bowl, to name a few activities. The planning committee members are found below:

Brandy Gunsolus
Chris Hubner
Janelle Chiasera
Jenny Paige Ford
Katie Cavnar
Kemorine Roberts
Kristen Coffey

Kristina Behan
Krystal Bullard
Kyle Riding
Lacey Campbell
Lee Byrd
Shelly Walls
Sophia Chandrasekar

Registration

Registration for this conference may be done online or you may print a copy of the registration form to submit with your payment from the <https://asclsregion3.weebly.com/>. Full registration for this meeting includes all sessions, activities, meetings, and food as described in the program. The social event is not included in the full registration price. Those wanting to enjoy a fabulous "Surf and Turf" meal complete with signature appetizers and decadent deserts and two drink tickets for the tiki bar at the social event on Wednesday evening at Margaritaville will need to specify their attendance and include the additional payment for the social event.

Location, Climate and Dress

Get Cultured at Pensacola!

This area boasts various prized attractions, such as sunken war ships, historic forts and various naval attractions. Known as the "Cradle of Naval Aviation," our American air and space history is proudly displayed aboard Pensacola NAS at the National Museum of Naval Aviation. Our town is also home to the Blue Angels air team where shows are performed twice a year and practices are held regularly during the winter months.



Pensacola is also home to a vibrant arts and culture scene, showcased at the Pensacola Museum of Art, Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts, Museum of Commerce, Pensacola Historic Museum, Ballet Pensacola and Pensacola Saenger Theatre. The city also hosts annual festivals, cultural events and performances throughout the year. Take advantage of the local sites and festivals during your stay here! For more information visit: <https://www.visitpensacola.com/>

Pensacola, Florida has a sunny, tropical climate in the month of September. Temperatures this time of year average a high of 95° F with lows averaging 73°F. Chance of precipitation is projected to be 35-40% this time of year. The relative humidity typically ranges from 45% (comfortable) to 91% (very humid) over the course of a typical September. Be sure to bring your beach gear because September is the perfect month to enjoy the ocean. Don't forget the sunscreen and your flip flops!

The conference center is set at a "comfortable" temperature; however, what the conference center may believe is comfortable to them may be either too cold or too warm for you. We recommend that you layer your clothing, and/or you bring a light sweater or jacket with you to the event center. Dress while attending the conference is business casual - It is important to be comfortable.

Hotel/Accommodations

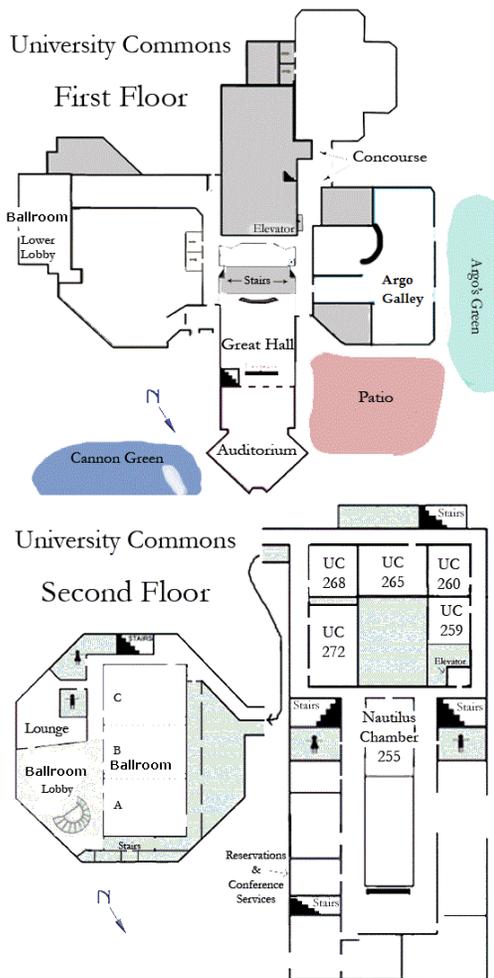
A block of rooms has been set aside for all conference attendees from Sept 25th-27th at the Margaritaville Hotel located on Pensacola Beach at 165 Fort Pickens Road Pensacola Beach, Florida 32561. (<https://www.margaritavillehotel.com/>).

Conference attendees are encouraged to make their hotel reservations early and secure the conference pricing by mentioning the code **#274646** when making reservations. Conference attendees may make reservations by calling the hotel directly at 850-916-9755 ext. 755 or by contacting Tonya LeMay at tlemay@margaritaville.com. The confirmed group rate is \$189.00/night (plus tax/fees). This price includes free parking, free high-speed internet access, and two Landshark beer vouchers upon arrival. Reservations by attendees must be received on or before August 25, 2019. After that date, the hotel will release the unreserved rooms for general sale and determine whether it can accept reservations based on a space- and rate-available basis at the ASCLS's group rate. The Margaritaville hotel is only 13 miles from the airport. No shuttle service from the airport is available to the hotel. The average Taxi/Uber ride from PNS to Margaritaville is \$30.

Shuttle service to and from the hotel for the conference will be provided in the morning and afternoon only.



Conference Location



All conference sessions, meetings, breaks, and vendor exhibits will be held on the campus of The University of West Florida (UWF) in the Conference Center located at 11000 University Parkway in Building 22. This 126,000-square-foot facility in the heart of UWF's main campus is centrally located and is the perfect place for many to congregate, eat and study. For more information please visit: <https://uwf.edu/enrollment-and-student-affairs/departments/conference-and-event-services/>

Airport and Transportation

If you will be flying to Pensacola, Florida the closest airport is the Pensacola International Airport (PNS) located at 2430 Airport Blvd, Pensacola, FL 32504. PNS is home to six major airlines, servicing over 20 non-stop destinations for more than 2.6 million passengers each year. Taxi service from the airport is available 24/7, with cabs located on the ground level directly outside the baggage claim area. Car rentals from PNS are available on the ground level of the parking deck. Please visit <http://flypensacola.com/> for more information.

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Social Event

The perfect way to kick off the conference! Come and unwind at the Landshark Landing at the Margaritaville Hotel on Pensacola Beach on Wednesday evening. Take a bite out of paradise with a fantastic Surf and Turf buffet complete with signature appetizers and decadent deserts. Enjoy 2 free signature cocktails and/or beverages of your choice, beach volleyball, hammocks under palm trees and a fire pit. Pensacola is also home to the Blue Angels and we are very excited to offer a raffle of an authentic Blue Angel's bomber jacket at the social. You don't want to miss this fun-filled evening of networking, good food, and great people. Space is limited so reserve your seat today for the very reasonable price of \$45/person!

Institutional Passes

Institutional passes are available to allow Institutions (Hospitals and Reference labs) to send up to 3 people (per institutional pass) to attend the meeting that fits the employees' schedule. The institutional pass is designed for personnel who are unable to miss work for the entire 3-day meeting. With this pass, all three (3) people may attend on one day or each may come on different days (one on Wed., one on Thursday, one on Friday). The people who attend and the sessions attended may be determined by the Laboratory Manager and/or employee supervisors. What a great deal at \$240.

Preliminary Program-at-a-Glance *Subject to Change*

Time	Tuesday, September 24th 2019
6:00 – 9:00 pm	Region III Leadership Dinner

Time	Wednesday, September 25th 2019		
8:00–11:00 a.m.	Region III Council Meeting The Nautilus Chamber- 2 nd Floor UC225		
11:30 am–12:30 pm	Registration and Refreshments The Conference Center Lower Lobby- Refreshments served upstairs in the Ballroom		
12:45–1:00 pm	Welcome/Announcements UWF Conference Center Ballroom 2 nd Floor		
1:00pm – 1:50 pm	Opening Keynote Session #1 The Value of Laboratory Professionals <i>Elissa Passiment, Ed.M, MLS(ASCP)</i> UWF Conference Center: Ballroom		
2:00–3:00 pm	Session #2 Heparin Induced Thrombocytopenia (HIT) <i>Brandy Gunsolus DCLS, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Session #3 Preventing Medical Errors: Florida Requirement Part 1 <i>Kyle Riding PhD, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Session #4 Laboratory Management for Different Associate Styles <i>Lacey Campbell MHS, MLS(ASCP)</i>
3:00–4:00 pm	Session #5 Working in the Laboratory to Detect Emerging Infectious Diseases: Testing for Ebola and Zika <i>Leah Gillis, PhD</i>	Session #6 Preventing Medical Errors: Florida Requirement Part 2 <i>Kyle Riding PhD, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Session #7 The Laboratory and Lean Six Sigma <i>Michael Bishop MS, MLS(ASCP)</i>
4:00–5:00 pm	Session #8 Blood Management in the Modern Laboratory <i>Edward J. Peterson, Jr., MBA, MT(ASCP)</i>	Session #9 A true need for symbiosis between Clinical Pharmacy and Clinical Laboratory Science <i>Joseph Glovacz, PharmD, BCACP</i>	Session #10 The Cost of Quality: Preanalytical Examples <i>Leonard Dunikoski, Ph.D., DABCC</i>
7:00–9:00 pm	Social Event: Margaritaville Hotel Relax in Paradise with a Surf and Turf Buffet at Pensacola Beach		

Time	Thursday, September 26th, 2019		
8:00 – 8:30 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast <u>Sponsored by Audit Microcontrols & GenMark Diagnostics</u> UWF Conference Center: 2nd floor		
8:30 – 9:30 am	Session #11 Crystal Clear: A Case of Green Neutrophil Inclusions <i>Jackie Thomas, DNP, ARNP, FNP-BC</i>	Session #12 HIV for Florida Clinical Laboratory <i>Jackie Thomas, DNP, ARNP, FNP-BC</i>	Student Session #13 Microbiology Review <i>Tera Webb, MS</i>
9:30 – 10:30 am	Session #14 Survival Guide to Body Fluids <i>David Thrash MLS(ASCP)</i>	Session #15 A Radiologist explains Infectious Diseases <i>Michael Besozzi, MD</i>	Student Session #16 Chemistry Review <i>Kathy Dugan MEd</i>
10:30 – 11:30 am	Session #17 Digital Imaging with Cellavision <i>Cindy Rogers MT(ASCP)</i>	Session #18 Sepsis Markers <i>Brandy Gunsolus DCLS, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Student Session #19 Hematology Review <i>Floyd Josephat, EdD</i>
11:30 – 12:30 pm	Visit with Vendors and Catered Lunch (Ticket Required)		
12:30 – 1:30 pm	General Session #20 Oh, The Places the Lab Can Take You! – A Career Development Panel <i>Rodney Rohde/ Brandy Gunsolus/ Kyle Riding</i>		
1:30 – 2:30 pm	Session #21 hs-Troponins <i>Janelle Chiasera, PhD</i>	Session #22 Effective Teams and Psychological Safety <i>Tera Webb, MS</i>	Student Session #23 Blood Bank Review <i>Sabrina Bryant, PhD</i>
2:30 – 3:30 pm	Session #24 Case Studies in Microbiology <i>Donna Mayne MLS(ASCP)</i>	Session #25 TBD Chemistry <i>Elissa Passiment, Ed.M, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Student Session #26 Immunology Review <i>Kyle Riding PhD, MLS(ASCP)</i>
3:30 – 4:30 pm	Session #27 Blood Banking and Instrumentation <i>Regina Castor MLS(ASCP), SBB</i>	Session #28 Superfetation and Superfecundation: A Sexy, Scandalous Surprise <i>Lee Byrd, MT(ASCP)H</i>	
5:00 – 7:00 pm	Social Event Session #29 Vendor Showcase and CEU Quiz <u>Sponsored by BD and Nikon</u>		

Time	Friday, September 27th, 2019		
8:00 – 9:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast		
9:00 – 10:00 am	Session #30 Molecular Testing in POCT <i>Allison McMullen, PhD</i>	Session #31 Stem Cell Apheresis <i>Angela Darby MPH, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Student Bowl Competition
10:00 – 11:00 am	Session #32 Coagulation Studies and Diagnosis <i>George Fristma MS, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Session #33 Florida Laws and Rules <i>Carleen P. Van Siclen, MSHA, MLS(ASCP)</i>	Student Bowl Competition
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Session #34 Update on Alzheimer's Disease <i>Rodney Guttmann, PhD</i>	Session #35 Epidemiology Case Studies <i>Patrick Lynch MPH Infection Control Practitioner</i>	Student Bowl Competition
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Boxed Lunch (Ticket Required) FSCLS Fall Board Meeting		
1:00 – 2:00 pm	Session #36 Title TBD- Chemistry <i>Jie "Jenny" Gao MLS(ASCP)</i>	Session #37 Hematology TBD <i>Floyd Josephat, EdD</i>	Student Bowl Competition
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Session #38 Transgender Medicine and the Laboratory's Role <i>Cheryl Caskey MLS(ASCP), SBB</i>	Session #39 TBA Microbiology <i>Aaron Odegard MLS (ASCP)</i>	Student Bowl Competition
3:00 – 4:00 pm	Closing Keynote #40 Diversity in the Workplace <i>Cheryl Caskey MLS(ASCP), SBB</i>		
4:00 – 4:15 pm	Student Bowl Award Ceremony		

The sessions associated with this educational program have been approved by the ASCLS P.A.C.E.® program. P.A.C.E.® is accepted by the ASCP Board of Certification (BOC), and all states, including California and Florida, as an approved provider of continuing education for recertification and licensure. ASCLS members may use CE Organizer to build CEU certificates and have them automatically downloaded to the ASCP Board of Certification.

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